

## TOWN OF LEXINGTON



### NEW ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

Melisa Tintocalis has been appointed Economic Development Director for the Town of Lexington, effective February 1, 2012. Melisa's career integrates urban planning policy, real estate economics, and economic development. Prior to joining the Town of Lexington, Melisa was the Principal Economic Development Planner for the City of Somerville, where she worked on a variety of economic development initiatives to support local businesses and encourage new commercial investment in targeted areas. Over the course of her experience, Melisa has assessed the physical and financial feasibility of infill developments and provided economic analysis for public-sector urban plans, economic development strategies, and land-use policies. Melisa is a member of the Urban Land Institute, New England Women in Real Estate (NEWIRE), and American Planning Association. Melisa Tintocalis earned her Masters in Urban and Regional Planning from the University of Michigan, where she was a Housing and Urban Development Fellow, and received her BA from the University of San Francisco in Business Administration.

Town Manager Carl Valente said, "Melisa's wealth of experience in economic development, both in Massachusetts and southern California, will be an asset in Lexington. She clearly understands the Town's dual goals of increasing the commercial and retail tax base while maintaining the residential and historic character of our community. I know that the Selectmen and those boards and committees working on economic development issues will find her energy, passion for public service and knowledge of economic development trends to be invaluable as the Town addresses its many economic development challenges."

Carl Valente  
Town Manager